

(2) If a State has no program for qualifying persons as electric-hoisting engineers, the Secretary may qualify persons for this purpose if the operator of the coal mine in which such persons are employed, or the independent contractor, makes an application and a satisfactory showing that each such person has had 1 year experience in operating electric-driven hoists and has held the position of hoisting engineer for a period of 6 months immediately preceding the application. A person's qualification is valid for as long as this person continues to satisfy the requirements for qualification and is employed at the same coal mine or by the same independent contractor.

(c) Applications for Secretarial qualification should be submitted to the Health and Safety Activity, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Certification and Qualification Center, P.O. Box 25367, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo. 80225.

[35 FR 17894, Nov. 20, 1970, as amended at 43 FR 12320, Mar. 24, 1978; 54 FR 30515, July 20, 1989]

**§ 75.159 Records of certified and qualified persons.**

The operator of each coal mine shall maintain a list of all certified and qualified persons designated to perform duties under this part 75.

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**§ 75.160 Training programs.**

[STATUTORY PROVISION]

Every operator of a coal mine shall provide a program, approved by the Secretary, of training and retraining of both qualified and certified persons needed to carry out functions prescribed in the Act.

**§ 75.161 Plans for training programs.**

Each mine operator shall submit to the District Manager a program or plan setting forth what, when, how, and where the operator will train and retrain persons whose work assignments require that they be qualified or certified. The program shall provide—

(a) For certified persons, annual training courses in methane measure-

ment and oxygen deficiency testing, roof and rib control, ventilation, first aid, principles of mine rescue, and the provisions of this part 75;

(b) For qualified persons, annual courses in performance of the tasks which they perform as qualified persons; and

(c) For certified persons, annual training in the use of self-contained self-rescue devices used at the mine. This training shall include complete donning procedures in which each person assumes proper position, opens the device, activates the device, inserts the mouthpiece or simulates this task while explaining proper insertion of the mouthpiece, and puts on the nose clip.

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**Subpart C—Roof Support**

SOURCE: 53 FR 2375, Jan. 27, 1988, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 75.200 Scope.**

This subpart C sets forth requirements for controlling roof, face and ribs, including coal or rock bursts, in underground coal mines. Roof control systems installed prior to the effective date of this subpart are not affected so long as the support system continues to effectively control the roof, face and ribs.

**§ 75.201 Definitions.**

*Automated temporary roof support (ATRS) system.* A device to provide temporary roof support from a location where the equipment operator is protected from roof falls.

*Pillar recovery.* Any reduction in pillar size during retreat mining.

**§ 75.202 Protection from falls of roof, face and ribs.**

(a) The roof, face and ribs of areas where persons work or travel shall be supported or otherwise controlled to protect persons from hazards related to falls of the roof, face or ribs and coal or rock bursts.

(b) No person shall work or travel under unsupported roof unless in accordance with this subpart.